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Likewise describing the manifold and innumerable dangers that attends Civill discord, and home bred contention, shewing by Presidents of *Yorks* and *London*, what cruell effects such designes produce both to the King and Subject.

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quello che il Signore ha detto a me, e che io ho detto a voi, non è nulla di nuovo. Ma ciò che è nuovo è che il Signore ha aperto i vostri occhi, e che voi vedete ciò che non avevate visto prima.

## St. Philip Sepulchre

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Keep to the King this day and ever.

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# Renowned Speech

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Most gracious Sovereigne,

Et not thee incurre your Maiesties displeasure, if I that am one of the poorest of the Subjects presume to speake some few words unto my Lord the King.

According to your Maiesties Command we the Gentry and Commonalty

ry of Yorkshire are here met to know  
your Maiesties pleasure, and knowing  
to fulfill what we with Honour may  
performe, or with Loyalty execute,  
nor have we brought with us the least  
thought of such a feare since. Twere  
disloyalty in the highest Degree to  
thinke a Prince so graciously and from  
whom we have received such large ex-  
pressions of Royalty, Love, and Fa-  
vour, shoud Command any thing  
not suitable to Law and to our Consci-  
ences. Farre be it from us to thinke it,  
onely let me take Lycence with your  
Royall favour to tell what some men  
smitten. As touching your Maiesties  
Demands to have a guard of Horse and  
Foot to waite upon your Maiesty.

First, that the malignant Party hath  
couerred your Maiesty to take this  
course, and under his pretence to  
gaine a power of ~~both~~ <sup>of both</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>and</sup> force  
which should be imployed against the  
Parliament. This ympeccable wa-

We hope much better, yet can We  
give no just credit to such vaine Re-  
ports, yet shold We with our Persons  
and Estates purchase a ruine to our  
selves and Kingdome, it would be a sad  
reward for all our Service.

*Oh my dread Lord,*

Let but your serious Judgement  
call to mind what sad Disasters, home-  
bred strife doth breed in private Fam-  
lies, and if in them what mischiefe in  
a Kingdome, a Kingdome that is divi-  
ded into as many factions as there is  
Counties, the Church, the State, the  
Court, the City, and the County too  
full of dissention, let your Maiesty call  
into your mind the Hellish Plots the  
Papists daily laye to ruine and destroy  
your Royall Father, and they hate in  
and yet love you so deere believe it not  
my Lord, their slattering tongues and  
their diffembling Traimes are inwardly  
al. poyon; these vnyl Counacles leue

to quench this Fire, but with that oyle  
they doe your fall conspire, cast backe  
your Eye to Yorke and Lancaster, how  
many Nobles lost their Noble Lives,  
how many Subjects paid their lives  
as Tribute to their then doubtfull  
King, how was this Kingdome wasted  
and destroyed, and in the end when  
warre did cease to frowne, he lost a  
Kingdome, to obtaine a Crowne.

Besides great King, admit a Guard  
were raised as is intended, (depending  
on your Royall Wifdome in the use of  
them) what could such Forces doe a-  
gainst Kingdome, what can rawe Sou-  
ldiers doe against those thousands of ex-  
pert Souldiers, which have taken Oath  
to defend your Royall Maiesty and the  
High Court of Parliament, but if your  
Maiesty shall put your selfe in opposi-  
on, and raise Forces against your Loy-  
all and obedient Subjects, (which God  
forbid) in Lawes of Nature, humane  
and

and Country, in such a  
[stance and should this come to passe  
which God forbid) Tillage and Trade  
must cease, Forraigne Commerce and  
Traffique must have end, and Hostilliti-  
ty must be the practice of this King-  
dome, both to defend our sacred Ma-  
iesty from your Domestické Enemies,  
the Papists, (which but assembled by  
your gracious Licence would soone de-  
clare themselves your owne and King-  
domes great Enemies) and to secure  
the Kingdome from the invasion of  
Forraigne Enemies, that dayly watch  
advantage to get a footing in this fruit-  
full Ile, and to suppress the Gospell,  
and it is greatly to be feare that by  
their Grand incendiaries heere, they  
are the cheifest Authors of these great  
distractions.

I feare I have displeas'd your Mai-  
esty, it so I crave your gratiouse pardon  
tis my true Love and zealous Loyaltie  
to

your Sacred Majestie, and this my  
Nature Kingdome, that makes me bold  
to passe your Majestie beside the inter-  
rest and assurance I have of the fidelit  
of that great Councell, whereof by the  
favour of my Country, I has chosen a  
member, which trust I will till death  
faithfully discharge both to your Sa-  
cred Majestie, and this my Countie,

It's time I paid a little bit more attention to the business side of things. I'm not sure how to go about it, but I think I have a few ideas. I'm going to start by looking into some of the basic accounting principles and then I'll work my way up to more advanced topics like financial modeling and budgeting. I'm also going to try to find some mentors or advisors who can help me navigate this new territory. I'm excited to see where this journey takes me!

